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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: SB 422

DATE PREPARED: Jan 3, 2002

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: History of the General Assembly.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill provides for the creation of a history of the General Assembly. The bill establishes a select committee of legislative members to oversee the: (1) hiring of an author; (2) appointment of an advisory council to assist the select committee; and (3) administration of the process creating the history. The bill provides that the history should cover approximately the period from the 100th General Assembly to the adjournment sine die of the 113th General Assembly. Funds appropriated in the 2001 budget bill for an update of the history of the General Assembly may be used by the select committee. (This draft was prepared by the Interim Study Committee on the History of the Indiana General Assembly.)

Effective Date: Upon Passage; July 1, 2002.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill establishes a Select Committee on the History of the General Assembly. The Select Committee is to consist of four members of the Senate and four members of the House. The Committee is to meet at least quarterly and arrange for the preparation, writing, and publication of a history on the General Assembly. The Committee shall select and employ, under contract, the author of the history and any other persons necessary to accomplish its purpose.

The Committee shall appoint an advisory council of not more than 12 persons. The Council shall advise the Committee concerning the appointment of the author, the drafting of the specifications, and other matters relating to the Committee's request.

The Committee and Council shall receive per diem and travel expenses. Legislative members currently receive \$112 per diem for official business, and lay members receive \$75 per diem.

The Committee may receive appropriations and make allocations for reasonable and necessary expenses of the Committee, Council, author, and other employees of the Committee.

Legislative Services Agency shall provide staff to the Committee and the Council.

The bill specifies that the author shall have offices in the State Library and Historical Building if space is available. All officers and employees of state entities and local units of government shall cooperate with the Committee, author, or other staff to provide information and material relevant to the preparation of the history.

The bill also specifies that funds appropriated for the Update of the History of the General Assembly in P.L. 291-2001 do not revert to the General Fund. \$150,000 was appropriated annually for FY 2002 and FY 2003.

The term and responsibilities of the Committee expire on November 1, 2007.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Legislative Services Agency; All.

Local Agencies Affected: Counties; townships; municipalities.

Information Sources: